



# Restoration Grant Opportunities

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RESTORATION  
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# New Funding Opportunities

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## Drought Resiliency – Protecting Salmon (\$100 million)

- Up to \$10 million available for projects within the Scott River and its tributaries
- Up to \$10 million available for projects within the Shasta River and its tributaries

## Addressing Climate Impacts (\$35 million)

### Nature Based Solutions

- Wetlands and Mountain Meadows Restoration (\$54 million)
- Wildlife Corridors (\$42 million)

# Program Information

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Program requirements can be found in the [WRGB General Grant Guidelines](#)

## Eligible Applicants

- Tribes, nonprofit organizations and public agencies

## Project Types

- Planning
- Implementation
- Acquisition
- Monitoring

All projects must have a benefit to fish and wildlife.

# Timeline

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<b>Program</b>	<b>Grant Agreement Execution Date</b>	<b>Project End Date</b>
<b>Drought Resiliency – Protecting Salmon</b>	6/30/2024	3/15/2026
<b>Nature Based Solutions - Wetlands/Meadow</b>	6/30/2025	3/15/2027
<b>Nature Based Solutions - Wildlife Corridors</b>	6/30/2026	3/15/2028
<b>Addressing Climate Impacts</b>	6/30/2024	3/15/2026

# Application Process

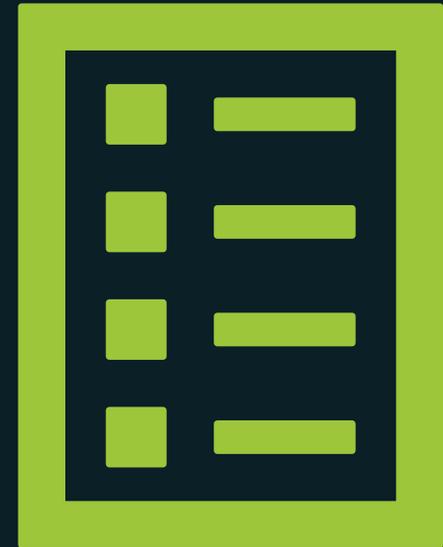
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## Concept Proposal :

- Project Description
- Scope of Work with tasks and deliverables
- Schedule
- Map, plans and other available attachments (as appropriate as needed)

## Continuous Application and Review

CDFW Selects the funding source



# Contact Info

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For more information on how to apply visit:

<https://wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Watersheds/Restoration-Grants/Concept-Application>

Questions about the process or your project? Grant consultations available at any time:

<https://wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Watersheds/Prop-1/Consultation>

Email us at: [watershedgrants@wildlife.ca.gov](mailto:watershedgrants@wildlife.ca.gov)

# Wildlife Conservation Board

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## Who is the WCB? 7-member Board

- President Fish and Game Commission
- Director California Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Director Department of Finance
- Four public members
- Two appointed by the Governor
- Two appointed by the legislature

“Primary responsibilities of the WCB are to select, authorize and allocate funds for the purchase of land and waters suitable for recreation purposes and the preservation, protection and restoration of wildlife habitat.”

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- Over \$200 million available under the Stream Flow Enhancement Program (SFEP)
  - Projects to enhance instream flows to protect fish and wildlife
- Funding Amounts: Dependent
- Required Applicant Cost-Share: 0%
- Contact:  
Aaron Haiman,  
[wcbstreamflow@wildlife.ca.gov](mailto:wcbstreamflow@wildlife.ca.gov),  
(916) 926-8835
- Applications accepted on a rolling basis
- Funds must be encumbered by:  
**June 30, 2025**
- Eligible uses for these funds:
  - Acquisition of water or water rights
  - Acquisition of land that includes water rights
  - Projects that provide water for fish and wildlife
  - Projects that improve aquatic or riparian habitat conditions
- Larger Projects Encouraged!

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## Examples of project types:

- Water Transactions
  - Acquisition of water/water rights from willing sellers
  - Short- or long-term water transfers and leases
  - Forbearance agreements
- Water conservation projects
  - Off-channel water storage
  - Changes in the timing or rate of diversion or source water supply
  - Irrigation ditch lining or piping
  - Stock-water systems
  - Agricultural tailwater recovery/management systems
- Changing points of diversion
- Groundwater storage and conjunctive use
- Stream flow gauging
- Scientific studies

## Website:

<https://wcb.ca.gov/Programs/Stream-Flow-Enhancement>

Note: WCB uses a single continuous grant application process for all proposed projects. The process begins with a Pre-Application (Word); however, Applicants can consult with WCB staff at any time, including before submitting a Pre-application.

For more information and the Pre-Application go to:

<https://wcb.ca.gov/Grants>

# Handouts Available

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Thank you!

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